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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year. A special welcome to those families who are new to our Pre School and Nursery.

### **Holiday Dates for the Year**

Please note the following inclusive dates when Pre School and Nursery will be closed:-

Half Term	22nd October – 29 <sup>th</sup> October
Christmas	21st December (finish at 1.20) to 7th January
Half Term	18 <sup>th</sup> February – 22nd February
Easter	5 <sup>th</sup> April (finish at 1.20) to 22 <sup>nd</sup> April
May Bank Holiday	6 <sup>th</sup> May
Half Term	27 <sup>th</sup> May – 31 <sup>st</sup> May
Summer Holiday	Pre School closes at 1.20 on Friday 19th July

### **Parking**

Please use the Waitrose car park for parking at the beginning and end of the school day. We are very lucky to have this agreement with Waitrose and it makes it much safer for our children. The school have already received complaints from our neighbours about dropping off and picking up times.

I would like to remind you to look at the noticeboard in the foyer as you exit the building for any relevant information, such as your child's key worker, their key group and a copy of the latest newsletter. I would also like to draw your attention to "Wow vouchers" these are slips to complete at home and will contribute to your child's development records.

### **Photographer**

The photographer is coming on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 12.40. If your child does not normally attend you are welcome to bring them along at 12.40. The photographer has offered to take family portraits – if you would like this option please book a slot with me and we will arrange for these to be taken in the school hall at around 8.15 am.

### **Parent/Key Person Information Sharing**

You will be offered a 20 minute appointment with your child's key person between 19th and 30<sup>th</sup> November. Additional meetings will be in March and June. The object of these meetings is for you and your child's key person to share information about your child and you will have the opportunity to discuss any concerns you may have.

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## **Christmas Production and Party**

The Christmas Production this year is on Wednesday 19th December at 2.00 p.m. in the large school hall. There will be a rehearsal on 18<sup>th</sup> December. There will be a letter nearer the time detailing costume requirements and timings.

Christmas Party day for Pre School and Nursery will be on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December from 12.30 to 3.00. If your child does not normally attend please bring them along at 12.30. There will be a food list put up nearer the time.

## **Tooth Brushing**

If you did not pay last year can I please ask that you pay £1 for your child's toothbrush. The children are cleaning their teeth after lunch each day.

## **Clothes and Lunch Boxes**

Please ensure that you label all your children's clothes and possessions – we have had a few cases of things being lost and it makes the staff's job much easier to know what belongs to which child. The pre school children will be doing PE on a Monday morning and a Wednesday morning. Please can you ensure that their shoes are suitable for them to put on and take off themselves. If you provide a changing bag please included nappy sacks and wet wipes as we do not provide these. If children have pierced ears could you please ensure that they wear studs only.

## **Toys**

Could we request that children do not bring in their own toys. Obviously we allow a transition toy which may help them settle in.

## **Liturgy**

Our next Pre School liturgy will be attended by Father Francis on 10<sup>th</sup> October at 1.15 o'clock. You are welcome to attend.

Kind Regards

Denise Arnold